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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel 59-70 without prejudice or disclaimer. Please amend claims 54-58 and 71-74 to read as follows.

54. (Amended) A method for treating glomerulonephritis mediated by anti-double stranded (ds)-DNA antibodies in a subject in need of such treatment comprising administering to said subject at least one peptide which binds an anti-double stranded DNA antibody in an amount effective to treat glomerulonephritis, wherein said peptide comprises a D-amino acid sequence of X1-Trp-X1-Tyr-X2, wherein X1 represents Asp or Glu, and X2 represents Gly or Ser.

D1  
55. (Amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5-30 D-amino acids in length.

56. (Amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5-15 D-amino acids in length.

57. (Amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5-10 D-amino acids in length.

58. (Amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5 D-amino acids in length.

D2  
71. (Amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5-30 amino acids in length and comprises d-Asp-Trp-Glu-Tyr-Ser.